



2017

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Oneida County

2016 Annual Report

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County

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The Cooperative Extension system was created over 100 years ago to connect the research of Cornell University with the needs of people and communities. At Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County, our mission is to improve the lives of individuals and our community through the excellence and relevance of our programs and services. We provide objective, up-to-date, research-based solutions and processes that support children, youth, child care providers, landowners, farm and business operators, and local government officials. We are partners in creating strong and resilient economies, practicing environmental stewardship, building safe and healthy families, and guiding sustainable development practices.

We remain committed to building and maintaining the organization's responsiveness to our constituents and maintaining the relevance of our programs to ensure that we effectively address Oneida County's current economic, social, and environmental conditions.

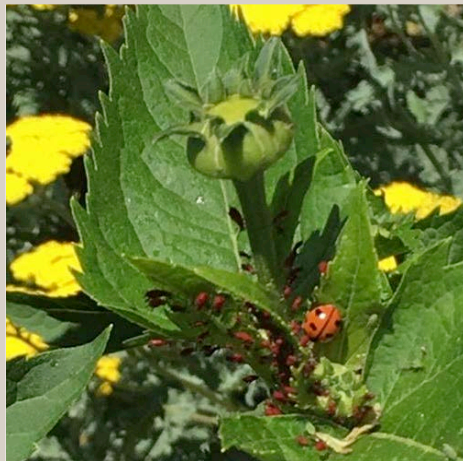
Our team of dedicated professionals are guided by a drive for service, compassion, and respect for one another and all members of society. They are assisted by well over 100 volunteers who are dedicated to the community and to the mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension! We rely heavily on our volunteers and their help enables us to extend our community outreach and our programs.

As you look through the pages of the calendar you will see that 2016 was a very busy and successful year. Programming was developed and offered in the areas of agriculture, agriculture economic development, child care, parent education, nutrition education, horticulture, urban and rural development, environmental safety, childhood lead prevention, STEM and numerous other areas! We are thankful to the County and the community for their support throughout the year. We are looking forward to 2017 and to continuing to build reciprocal partnerships in the community and to continuing to offer and expand programming opportunities throughout Oneida County.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy, successful 2017!

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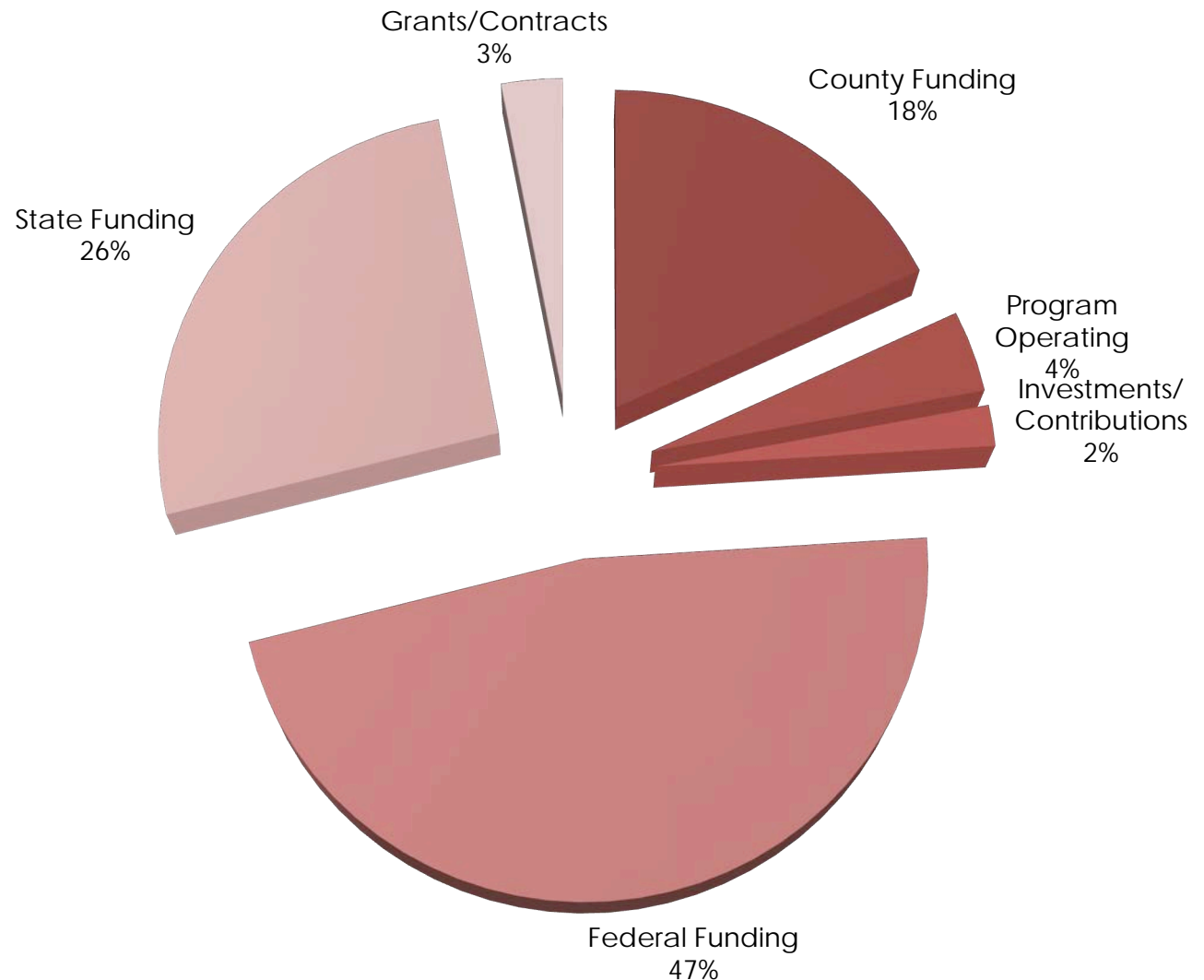
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Farm Business Management staff work in the community to increase public awareness and support for the role of farms and related businesses in strengthening the local economy while contributing to the quality of life in Oneida County.



Farm Business Management staff deliver programming in a variety of places and formats. We meet our clients on the farm, in our office, over the phone and by email, as well as in face-to-face group workshops and online webinars.

We share current information and in-depth resources through our website and social media. Farm Business Management staff delivered relevant and practical educational programming on the following topics:

Business Plan Development
Human Resource Management
Marketing
Record Keeping/Taxes
Risk Management

Farm Business Management



Women comprise just over 31 percent of agriculture in our county. These women have farms that are more diverse, more likely to raise small animals, and have a net income less than \$15,000 annually. This number will only continue to increase and by supporting women farmers we are not only helping them to support their families, but our community.

We are helping women across our County to raise their confidence, develop skills, adopt best management practices, and plant the seeds for the next generation, by offering programs throughout the year that address risk management. One of these programs was Annie's Project.

This was an introductory course in risk management delivered to over 30 local and over 300 New York State farm women and their families.



ANNIE'S PROJECT
EMPOWERING WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE

Out of Annie's Project came the development of Women in Ag Discussion Groups. These meetings address issues and concerns important to farm families with local resources.

Other 2016 Highlights:

- QuickBooks workshops were held, resulting in over 68 farm visits to over 21 farms with one-on-one technical assistance. This educational program helped Oneida County farmers increase their financial knowledge and strengthen management decisions.
- Farm Business Management staff delivered presentations to the New York State military community. These local and statewide efforts were to honor and support individuals who expressed an interest in farming, including the Farmer Veteran Coalition.
- Farm Business Management staff offered workshops and provided direct guidance to over 15 'next generation farmers' on developing business plans.

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JANUARY 2017						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
New Year's Day						
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	Martin Luther King Jr. Day					
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AED also worked with Mohawk Valley EDGE to secure a USDA planning grant to study the cost and feasibility to upgrade the municipal water and sewer infrastructure for the Village of Waterville, Towns of Sangerfield and Marshall. AED and EDGE are also working with a local group to explore the creation of an Ag. Business Park in the Town of Sangerfield.

Ag Economic Development



The AED Staff also provided education at events. This included teaching the science behind maple syrup production to over 800 6th grade students at the 2016 Conservation Education Days at Delta Lake State Park (above) and Farm Fest held at DiNitto Farms (below).



In his State of the County Address in April of 2016, Oneida County Executive Anthony Picente Jr. highlighted his support to grow the Ag. Tourism Industry in Oneida County. As a result of this focus, our AED Program worked in conjunction with the O.C. Planning Department to form an Ag. Tourism Advisory Committee to develop a long range Ag. Tourism plan. The efforts were extremely positive as we updated our current Ag. Tourism database, which is now displayed on the Oneida County Tourism's CNY Fresh website. We will also be working closely with the Utica O.D. to be the main focus in their monthly "Accent" magazine where Ag. Tourism will be featured in 4 seasonal issues throughout the year.



AED worked closely with the new owners from Long Island to develop the former Baker/Kurt Weiss greenhouse complex on Herkimer Road in N. Utica. The 17acre greenhouse complex went through a major overhaul as it transitioned its primary products from perennial and annual flowers to tomatoes and cucumbers.

AED has formed a solid working relationship with the new MVCC "ThiNCubator" which is located at 326 Broad Street in downtown Utica. As a result of this new partnership, the "ThiNCubator" will be adding an Ag. Business Entrepreneur component to their start-up support. We are also in the development stages to build a new food processing kitchen at the location where local food and craft beverage entrepreneurs can develop a variety of recipes and products. This initiative will be a three-way partnership between the MVCCC Foundation, Morrisville State College's Nelson Farm's Food Kitchen and CCE-Oneida County.

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FEBRUARY 2017						
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19	20 Presidents Day	21	22	23	24	25
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Agriculture and Energy

Oneida County farmers optimized their energy options, utilized new technologies and explored novel crops to increase their risk resilience in order to improve their bottom line.

These options continue to shape the agricultural industry in Central New York. On this page you will find pictures and information on the 2016 program offerings, which were based on expressed interest from the community.



Educational seminars provided information to landowners about shared solar land-use and lease arrangements for large scale utilization for electrical generation.



The "Harness Nature's Energy" Tour showed stakeholders novel agricultural biomass sources (including industrial hemp, hazelnuts and miscanthus) used as food, feed, fiber and fuel stocks; Large and small-scale wind (large pictured above right); Solar Photovoltaic and Solar Thermal technologies; Aquaculture and Aquaponics Facilities and a newly constructed local Mesonet Weather Station (above left).




Oneida County School presentations "Think Global, Act Local" on technologies and careers in energy systems related to Agriculture & the Environment.



Farms were linked with agricultural-based businesses with certified energy evaluators to determine baseline energy consumption and use patterns to offer plans of action for energy savings.



Programming on solar-thermal and solar photovoltaic (PV) systems that are economical for hot water heating, radiant flooring, power, running electric fences, water pumps, and other farm equipment and lighting. Above, Dan Williams, Williams Fence, shows portable solar chargers for fencing enclosures.

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MARCH 2017						
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Daylight Savings					St. Patrick's Day	
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	First Day of Spring					 Child Care Council Spring Conference
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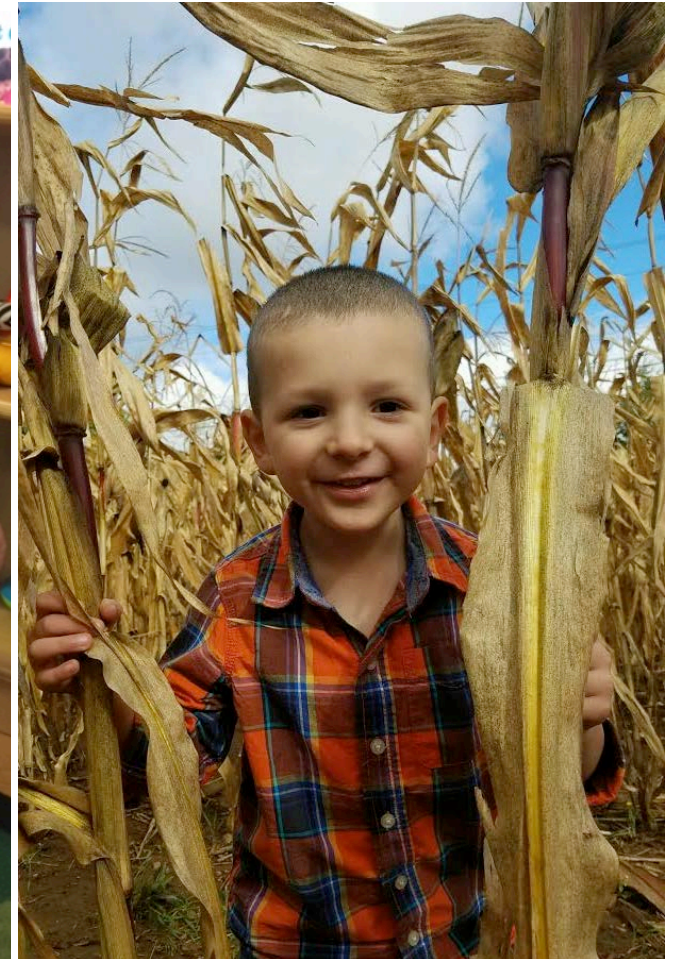
Early Childhood Education

The Child Care Council of Cornell Cooperative Extension works with families, child care providers and the community to ensure that the children in our area are given the best start to life. Although we don't work directly with children, our education and information has a huge impact in the community. How huge? Let's take a look.

The Child Care Council provides educational services for child care providers, including professional development and on-site education and assistance. During the 2015-2016 grant year, The Child Care Council worked with 564 representatives of 198¹ child care programs in our area. This impacts approximately 7,254 children in Herkimer, Madison and Oneida County.

¹ Child care programs who have multiple site locations are counted once for each site location.

Data on this page taken from the NACCRRAware Database



Parents and families rely on the Child Care Council for education and assistance in the process of finding care for their children. During the 2015-2016 grant year, the Child Care Council provided 786 child care assistance requests for 995 children in Herkimer, Madison and Oneida Counties.

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APRIL 2017						
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16 Easter Sunday	17 Tax Day	18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day
23	24	25	26	27	28 Arbor Day	29
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There were 21,000 acres

of alfalfa hay harvested in Oneida County in 2015 according to NASS statistics. Most of the hay is used by local growers to feed livestock. The quality of this alfalfa hay impacts livestock production of milk, meat and fiber which is a factor in farm profitability. Three new low lignin alfalfa varieties are now available to local growers. These new low lignin varieties are more digestible and can improve livestock performance.



Planted 4-30-15		No fertilizer applied
A-1	A-2	
1	11	Bariane Tall fescue
2	12	Perseus Festulolium
3	13	Fojtan Festulolium
4	14	Pradus Meadow fescue
5	15	Liherold Meadow fescue
6	16	BAR FpF32 Meadow fescue
7	17	Dividend VL Orchardgrass
8	18	Barlegro Orchardgrass
9	19	Command Orchardgrass
10	20	DlIF47 Orchardgrass

Agriculture

Most studies of alfalfa varieties and livestock performance were conducted in the Midwest where alfalfa is grown in pure stands unlike the northeast where most hay fields are a mixture of alfalfa and grasses to help reduce the loss of alfalfa to frost heaving. New York growers were unfamiliar with these new varieties, their feed quality and how they would perform in mixed swards.

Oneida CCE staff helped Jerry Cherney, Forage specialist at Cornell, to find a grower willing to host a plot trial. Dave Curtin welcomed the opportunity to collaborate on the project allocating a small section of a large field that was planted to alfalfa in 2015. The plot trial was planted on April 30, 2015 with Alforex Hi Gest 360, a low lignin alfalfa variety, and a commercial alfalfa variety with 10 different grasses (1 tall fescue, 2 festuloliums, 3 meadow fescues and 4 orchardgrasses) each replicated 4 times. The summary of the results of the 3 harvests in 2015 were shared with area farmers at a workshop held at a local machinery dealership in January 2016 and published in our November 2015 newsletter. Additional information about the characteristics of the grasses in the trial were published in our April 2015 newsletter. A field event was held at the plot trial location on the Curtin farm on July, 27, 2016 where growers were able to view the plot, hear an updated summary of the results and have a discussion.



A1 Pioneer 55H94 alfalfa
A2 Alforex Hi-Gest 360 alfalfa

Mixtures
Alfalfa 15 lbs PLS/a of 55H94
Grass 4 lbs PLS/a of Pradus
Same number of PLS for other grasses
Same number of PLS for Hi-Gest 360

Dr. Cherney will be invited to share the results of the second year of the trial at our Crop Congress in January and we plan to include his results in our newsletter when they are available. Growers will have two years of field performance (yield and quality) of this new alfalfa variety in mixed swards of 10 different grasses at a farm in our area. They can use this information to decide if this new low lignin alfalfa variety fits with their crop and livestock production. Two of the growers that attended the field event and viewed the 10 grasses planted with the two alfalfa varieties saw how well the meadow fescues complimented the alfalfa. They both decided to plant a meadow fescue with their new alfalfa seedlings.

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MAY 2017						
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Mother's Day						
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	Memorial Day					

1,250 residents attended the 20th Annual Herb & Flower Festival, held at Cornell Cooperative Extension Oneida County's Parker F. Scripture Botanical Gardens. The event featured 44 vendors selling herbs and flowers, garden tools and decorations, food and ice cream sandwiches. 230 festival participants attended the educational classes, which included topics on Keeping Ticks Away, Hops, Bees, Pruning, Alternative Gardening, Begonias, Preserving Herbs, and Native Pollinators. Join us for Herb and Flower Fest next year
Saturday June 17th, 2017



Parker F. Scripture Botanical Gardens win Honorable Mention for Best Community Involvement in the All-American Selections Landscape Design Contest!

The All-American selections were grown in two areas: Vegetables in raised beds in the Vegetable Garden and annuals in the brick garden. To bring attention to the theme of 'Pollinator Education', the Master Gardener Volunteers installed an educational mobile in the center of the brick garden. The mobile features fun facts and information about pollinators.

Horticulture



The Oneida County Summer Youth Employment Program created a new work and learning site in West Utica, the Boilermaker Urban Garden (BUG). Over an 8 week period, in July and August, Holly Wise, Resource Educator, taught garden science lessons and the Eat Smart New York staff provided nutrition education and directions to youth and adults.

Master Gardener staff and
volunteers worked with
125 youth
ages preschool to teen
during the summer of 2016.



CCE Oneida's AED and Horticulture programs partnered with Vernon Downs Casino and SUNY Cobleskill to coordinate the installation of the Vernon Downs Farm to Table Garden. These raised vegetable and herb beds are located behind the hotel, just off the outside patio area overlooking the race track. Produce is grown and used in culinary dishes at Vernon Downs eating establishments.

Top Horticulture Hotline
Contact Topics, 2015-2016



357 total calls

pH/Soil Tests – 107 contacts

Insects – 73 contacts

Fruit – 48 contacts

Vegetables – 43 contacts

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18 Father's Day	19	20	21 First Day of Summer	22	23	24
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20 students visited local legislators as part of the Spring and Fall 4-H Government Program. Pictured below are the Fall 2015 students with Assemblyman Brindisi during 4-H Capitol Days in Albany, NY.



Conservation Ed Days, now in its 52nd year- 775, 6th grade students spent the day at Delta Lake State Park visiting various hands-on educational stations that specialize in different environmental concerns or attributes of our unique eco-system here in upstate NY.



Oneida County 4-H is much more than just Clubs, Animals and the Fair. Sure we boast a youth membership of 283, and we have an adult volunteer base of 160...

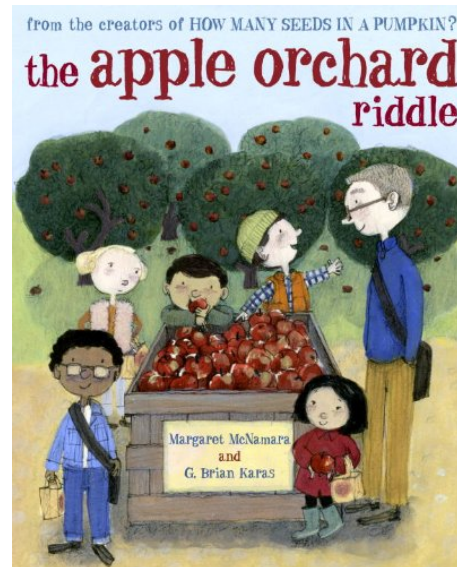
But did you know that our School Enrichment programs have reached an additional 4,250 Oneida County Students?



The Nine-spotted Ladybug is the NY State Insect, yet this once common beneficial insect has not been found in NY State for over 30 years. Sixty students from Westmoreland Elementary participated in one of the first re-introductions in NY State by releasing the species in the Parker F. Scripture Botanical Gardens. Our gardens were also enjoyed by 772 K-3rd grade students during field trips this year. The field trips specialize in Honeybees, Three Sisters Gardening, Nature Walks and most importantly the Lost Ladybug Citizen Science Project.



Over 1,000, 4th and 5th Grade students spent a day on DiNitto Farm during Farm Fest. Youth visited various stations where they learned milking to plowing, corn to chickens, horses to hay bales.



Ag Literacy week is a free annual event that partners Oneida County 4-H and the Farm Bureau. In this program, volunteers read an agricultural book to students and then do a hands-on activity. This year's theme was apples and 1,700 K-2nd graders participated.

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The CCE Oneida County Urban Studio connects City, University and grassroots efforts to help transform rust belt cities. This community development model has identified actionable short-term and sustainable development projects that respond to local assets, needs and opportunities.

The R2G team will broadly focus on:

Improved Civic Capacity –
Community-based planning efforts
& project implementation

Community Engagement &
Empowerment – Placemaking
activities and community based
learning

Resource Development – Project
packaging, resource identification,
and volunteer development

Community Development



Engaging the Community – Creative Placemaking Initiatives

HUD Community Needs Assessment - The Rust to Green Urban Studio collaborated with City, Federal, State and local partners to engage three Upstate New York communities (Utica, Rome, and Schenectady) to complete a HUD Community Needs Assessment focused on community and economic development priorities. Stakeholders provided input via surveys and community roundtables developed and conducted by the R2G team, resulting in 2-year HUD Action Plans, with targeted implementation strategies.



“CODE GREEN” Utica - The R2G Urban Studio team submitted a successful NYS NYSEDA Cleaner Greener program application enabling the City of Utica to begin a Zoning Ordinance and Map Update incorporating innovative development approaches - with a focus on sustainable design and Smart Growth. The City is working with R2G to organize and provide necessary community engagement.

Neighborhood District Development - The R2G Urban Studio team has engaged business and building owners, employees and residents in a “neighborhood” placemaking process that is helping to identify and highlight neighborhood assets as part of a consistent district development plan for the City of Utica.

- Bagg’s Square
- Downtown / Oneida Square
- Brewery District / Varick Street

HOME Program - In an effort to support comprehensive neighborhood development, the R2G Urban Studio Team is providing community engagement and educational assistance to implement the City of Utica Federal HOME funding in target neighborhoods.

Rural Comprehensive Planning and Technical Assistance - for municipal governments in Oneida County on agriculture, land use, zoning issues, recreation, revitalization, and community capacity.

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NYS Fair Begins



The Child and Adult
Care Food Program
(CACFP)

provides nutrition education and assistance to Home Day Care Providers in Herkimer, Oneida and Madison County to ensure that children receive nutritious meals. Through our program, 113 providers collectively served over 400,000 nutritious meals to children in their care from September 2015 through October 2016.

As part of the provider's nutrition education, our annual CACFP training was held at Oneida-Herkimer Madison BOCES in New Hartford. Our guest food demonstrator, Cynthia O'Connor O'Hara, otherwise known as the 'Harried Housewife', went through the steps of preparing three simple food recipes to help providers with new nutritious meal ideas. She gave additional information on how to get children involved in preparing the meals and the nutritional value of each. The providers were able to taste each recipe.

Feedback from our providers on the training included comments that they liked that they were "able to test it out", or the information on "how to prepare fast healthy food", and also "sharing info on the nutritional value of recipe ingredients".



We're reaching out to low-income and /or at-risk families and individuals who are SNAP eligible!

Changes through environmental programming include:

- Establishing the new West Utica Farmers' Market and community garden
- Working with at risk Utica high school students through Youth Feast and Youth Empowerment
- Working with schools for Healthier lunchrooms and to educate through Media Smart Youth
- Getting more farm markets equipped to take EBT cards from SNAP eligible shoppers

This material was funded by USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Program and the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance. This institution provides equal program and employment opportunities.

Nutrition

We provide resources and education to promote healthy food planning, shopping, and eating, increasing physical activity and drinking more water in place of sugary beverages. This year, 928 Eat Smart New York nutrition education events were presented to Oneida County residents with the following results:

Adults:

- 72% increasing or intend to increase fruit & vegetable intake
- 59% are drinking or intend to drink more water and less sweetened beverages
- 58% are increasing or intending to increase their physical activity

Youth:

- 75% increasing or intend to increase fruit & vegetable intake
- 71% are drinking or intend to drink more water and less sweetened beverages
- 62% are increasing or intending to increase their physical activity



ONEIDA COUNTY LEADS THE WAY FOR NORTH COUNTRY ESNY
(Our other counties: Herkimer, Hamilton, Oswego, Jefferson, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Lewis, St. Lawrence)

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SEPTEMBER 2017						
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17	18	19	20	21	22 First Day of Fall	23
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Spring weather in Oneida County afforded many opportunities for farmers to kick off the growing season with a bang! Ideal planting conditions and timely harvest of first cutting is vital to every dairy producer's successful feeding program. The topic of soil health took center stage during our pasture walk held in late May. Livestock farmers continue to expand their knowledge of the importance of organic matter, soil structure and aggregation. Understanding these terms and how they relate to their specific farming practices, be it rotationally grazing beef or dairy, or row cropping has significant impact on a producer's bottom line.



Dairy & Livestock

Marketing assistance for livestock producers came to life on line with the arrival of Meatsuite.com. Funded thru New York Farm Viability Institute and originating from Tompkins County CCE, Meatsuite.com is a free online tool to help consumers find locally produced, affordable meats in bulk quantities. Be it pork, beef, lamb or chicken, consumers can seek out local farmers who sell quarters, halves or even whole animals.

Oneida County livestock producers can register for free and developing a farm profile is a simple task to complete. Producers looking for assistance in writing or tweaking their individual farm profile can contact CCE Oneida's Livestock Educator for help. Buying local for your family couldn't be easier. With as many as ten farms in the 50

mile radius of Utica, NY, consumers have the unique opportunity to learn where their food comes from and meet the farmer who produced it. Buying meat in bulk offers a low price-per-pound offering significant savings over meat sold by the piece, with the advantage of choosing the cuts you want. Buying whole, half or quarter animals is efficient and profitable for the farm, and your purchase supports the local economy. Locally raised meats are delicious and flavorful, and you'll have the chance to try new cuts and recipes. We encourage you to visit www.Meatsuite.com today.



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OCTOBER 2017						
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8	9 Columbus Day	10	11	12	13	14  Child Care Council Fall Conference
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31 Halloween				



The biggest accomplishment in social media for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County was gaining 332 new Facebook likes. This secured our place as the CCE County page with the largest amount of people that "like" it. We currently provide our 1,869 followers with daily updates of our programs, education and resources. These people, in turn, interact with these updates and allow our message to be shared to their friends. Every day, an average of 350 people interact with our social media this way, which translates to an approximate 127,750 people per year.

The @CCEOneida Twitter page also gained 77 new followers in the past year

SBN News:

- All devices in the SBN have been encrypted, with the exception of one County.
- CCE IT is working on securing a new platform for payments with credit cards.
- Symantec anti-virus software is being phased out. Systems Center Endpoint Protection (SCEP) for Windows 7 and 8 and Defender for Windows 10 will be installed by December.
- Cornell is now contracted to use Zoom for web conferencing instead of WebEx

Technology & Social Media



All machines in Oneida County (PCs, laptops, copiers, monitors) are encrypted. The server that hosted the MYCCC domain, F drive, and Minute Menu database stopped working. This data was recovered and migrated to the newer physical server where the W drive is hosted. This server, which is rented from Cornell, is doing well and all network shares have been in place for some time. The storage space is double what it used to be, so we should not run out of room on it in the foreseeable future.

Within the next year, the CCE Oneida Website will be migrated to a new platform, developed by Tompkins County and hosted by Amazon Web Services. Oneida County will join over 40 other extension offices already using this platform, thus creating unified branding across the state and providing access to shared resources within the platform.



Our ESNY program recently contracted out a project for a web app to the local Web developer Foster Martin. This app will be made available to schools throughout the Leatherstocking region and will provide nutrition education through online quizzes. To accomplish this we will be renting a dedicated server from namecheap.com to host the website. This will also require them to have a sponsored NetID from Cornell to authenticate into our subnet for server administration.



The Childhood Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program has moved into the Oneida office. Their move requires the migration of their PCs, devices and content from their previous environment to ours. They will also be the first of our programs to use managed mobile devices (5 ipads). IT will be managing these devices with a platform developed by Cisco Systems known as "Meraki". With this platform managed devices can be wiped clean, updated, locked, and tracked remotely by an Administrator.



Minute Menu database software, used by the Child and Adult Care Food Program, is being migrated to a newer version of Windows on the same physical server.

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Daylight Savings						Veteran's Day
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				Thanksgiving		
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Oneida County continues to have the highest incidence of lead poisoning in the state.

Cornell Cooperative Extension receives special funding via the Oneida County and New York State Health Departments to help inner city Utica residents learn about, detect, and correct housing conditions which can lead to the irreversible health effects caused by lead exposure. Because lead poisoning is still recognized as one of our nation's most persistent environmental health threats, education is key in helping communities combat this childhood disease that manifests itself with lifelong physical, cognitive, emotional, and social impairments. It is the goal of the CLPPPP program to help residents, property owners, medical professionals, educators, and community leaders understand that the disease itself is totally preventable through awareness, early detection, and intervention.

The nuts-n-bolts of the CLPPPP program

WHO: Services are available to owners, residents, tenants, or landlords regardless of income.

WHAT: In-home lead inspections and testing, free household and repair supplies, risk reduction education, property work plans, nutrition workshops, tuition to an EPA lead renovator's certification course.

WHERE: Properties must be within CLPPPP's High Risk Target Area in central Utica.

WHEN: Services are available year-round, with appointments scheduled at the occupant's convenience.

WHY: That's simple! Because the HOME should be our children's FIRST line of defense against childhood disease!

Childhood Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program (CLPPPP)

Accomplishments during the previous year include:

Home Visits – One-on-one education and lead paint hazard risk assessment in 160 Utica homes housing a total of 220 children;

Education & Outreach – Staff participation in 11 events for community outreach and program promotion, attended by 950 individuals;

Training Assistance – The provision of tuition assistance for 76 property owners, tenants, and contractors to receive EPA certification in lead-safe repair and renovation practices;

Public Awareness – The launch of an awareness and branding campaign focused on mass transit and billboard advertising for lead poisoning prevention in Utica and surrounding suburbs;

Regional Planning – Participation in planning and kickoff efforts for the "Lead-Free MV Coalition," spearheaded by the Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Inc. for the eradication of lead poisoning across a two-county region.



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The results are visible! Through education and residential services, the CLPPPP program has helped improve housing and health conditions for inner City Utica families!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	Christmas					
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